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SUBJECT: STORAGE FACILITIES OF FREEZING PLANTS

ARE FULL OF FISH PRODUCTS FOR EXPORT

1. NOVEMBER 15 MORGUNBLADID REPORTS FREEZING STORAGE FACILITIES IN ICELAND ARE FULL OF FRESH FROZEN FISH PRODUCTS FOR EXPORT. TOTAL SUPPLY ON HAND IS FAR GREATER THAN AT SAME TIME LAST YEAR, FOR EXAMPLE THE FREEZING PLANTS IN THE ICELANDIC FREEZING PLANTS CORPORATION, COMPRISING OVER ONE HALF OF TOTAL PLANTS IN THE COUNTRY HAVE 15 THOUSAND TONS ON HAND, SOMEWHAT MORE THAN IS COMMON FOR THIS PERIOD OF THE YEAR. SOME CARGOES ARE BEING SHIPPED TO THE US. IT IS HOPED THAT PLANTS CAN EXPORT ENOUGH TO BE ABLE TO RECEIVE MORE FISH FOR PROCESSING.

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2. CAPELIN WILL CREATE A PROBLEM IF THE PLANTS HAVE

NOT EMPTIED ENOUGH STORAGE SPACE. THE REQUIREMENT
FOR STORAGE FACILITIES IS GREATEST DURING THE WINTER
FISHING SEASON FOR COD AND DURING THE CAPELIN SEASON,
WHICH IS LIKELY TO BE AT ABOUT THE SAME TIME THIS
WINTER. SALE OF FRESH FROZEN FISH PRODUCTS IS
PICKING UP IN THE US ALTHOUGH THE PRICE HAS NOT
INCREASED. MANAGERS OF FREEZING PLANTS HOPE THAT
AGREEMENTS CAN SOON BE REACHED WITH THE RUSSIANS ON
SALE OF SUBSTANTIAL SUPPLIES OF FRESH FROZEN FISH
PRODUCTS.
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